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Senator Smith: Is it true that CIA secret intelligence and secret operations have meticulously excluded anyone ever connected with or sympathetic to the Batista regime and, if so, why?

Proposed answer for the record:

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For secret intelligence or counterintelligence activities, persons connected with or sympathetic to the Batista regime are dealt with in the same manner as anyone else who can furnish useful information with due regard for evaluation of their bias and motivation as we do with any other source. Any such persons were excluded from the brigade that made the invasion attempt in 1961 as they were completely unacceptable to the brigade members.

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